HIGGINS TIME TRAVEL ADVENTURE

PART 3

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In the palace of a Peking HIGGINS-CALEB, and MENZIES are taking stock of their new reality surrounded by the court of emperor HEROHETO.

The whole party are lounging on throw cushions before the high backed d utch elm thrown , being served mineral water by sesca women in belly dancer's costumes.

Higgins gets up from a throw cushion and walks over a Persian rug to stand a Dutch elm lec te r n to address his audience.

HIGGINS I intend to go back to the time of the crusades and help Richard the Lionheart in his fight against Saladin's empire.

CALEB D on't you mean the ottoman empire ?

HIGGINS It was a vast expansive area that stretched fro m, southern SPAIN across NORTH AFRICA up through Palestine Lebanon and Syria up to the black sea where it bordered the BYZANTIUM orthadox-christian or east ROMAN EMPIRE..

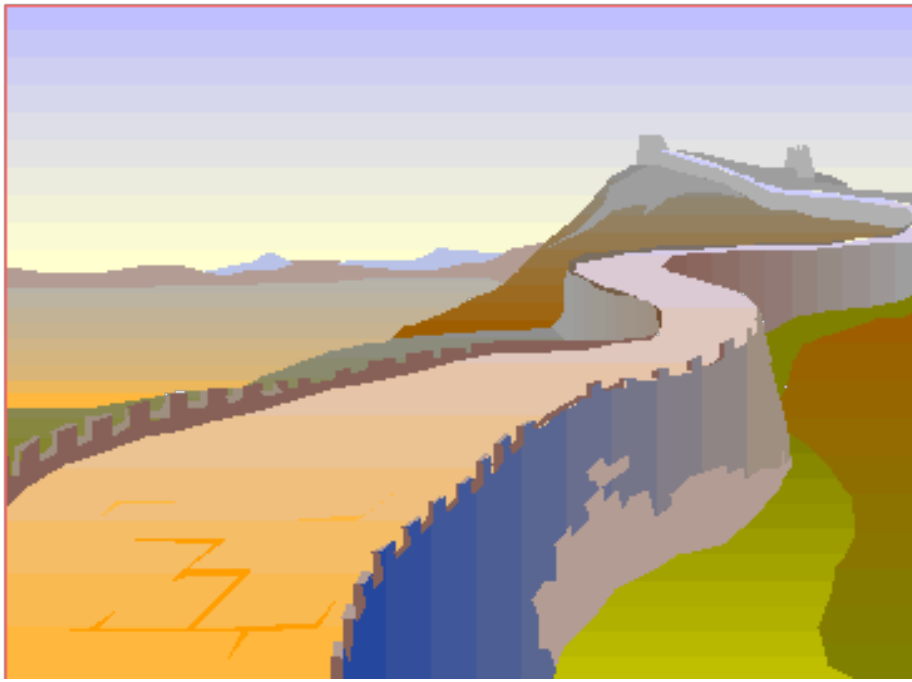
JOHNSON But at the time TRIPOLI and ACRE were part of LEBANON ,JERUSALEM just off the coast of PALASTINE .

HIGGINS Top of the class young man, get kitted out, we leave at first light .

RELL leaves the throne room and walks past tapestries and stone cla dding along a green laminated floor into a paved courtyard as the sun rises across the horizon, while phoning MAX

ELL on his wris t communicator.
On the shores of CANDEREL at the PROMETHIUS residency POTASIUM walks out of his bathroom and across a Persian rug to sit on the mauve corduroy sofa as the INTERCOM buzzes..
RELL Ready to test the time machine?
POTASIUM If successful we'll have full access to the past and future of planet earth.
RELL I have a group standing in the courtyard with time travel belts waiting to be transported to the Tibetan mountains.
MAXELL Your First Earth transport to the Future is ready.
RELL From the Laughing Buddha at peaking.If you can put SALAMANDER and ZIZI at the foot of a mountain with some of those crossbows.
RELL I've also sent psychic paper that ZIZI kept with his band in TIBET.
MAXELL I'll have my technicians study and copy it. Adjudicator Sloan will time jump to the ancient city of CANDEREL.
RELL Then I'll have Crossbows and blueprints for their manufacture .
MAXELL You'll have to speak to the assembly lines on KALDOR.
RELL I must go, Higgins is making plans to rescue the king of England.
R ELL walks past the golden temple followed by salamander ,a skinny man with a wizard's hat and long white beard.
They step across a paved courtyard and through Roman columns and along a green laminated floor past tapestries below stone cladding .
He ac cepts a lime juice cordial from a sesca woman in a belly dancer's costume joining M ENZIES ,RAVEN and SLOAN .
With the rest of the team gathering their forces HIGGINS walks across a persian rug, to stand at a dutch elm lectern to address the whole Royal Court.
PROFESSOR HIGGINS:-Since the Muslim faith was started in Saudi Arabia ,MUHUMED has been hungry for power and is now controlling a very large area .
During the lifetime of Muhammad with the battle of Mu'tah 629ad clashes between Muslims and the byzantine empire The Byzantine emperor also helps against SARACENS and SELJUKS Turks, when part of ASIA MINOR[south of BLACK SEA] became part of the OTTERMAN empire. .
The CRUSADES were a series of military campaigns from 1095 to

1291 to recover and defend the holy land. The first crusade established four crusader States in LAVANTE, and established the kingdom of Jerusalem.
The Holy Roman empire embarked on a three prong attack including France, England and GERMANY.
On his journey to the holy lands RICHARD THE LIONHEART had many cups of coffee, while splitting his forces.One unit sailing across the English channel through Paris and into Rome then across the Mediterranean. The other sailing ship going around Spain they met at Sicily they went through three Greek islands and landed at acre north of Jerusalem.
Philip the second of FRANCE started in Paris and took the same route as Richard the Lionheart to Sicily and then sailed directly to Acre.
Frederick of Barbarossa of Germany left Cologne and went through Austria and Hungary and Greece and the Byzantine empire skirting through the ottoman empire to land at Tripoli North of Acre.
KATO Then Professor Higgins, where are you going?
HIGGINS I'm on my way to the court of king Richard the Lionheart who is raiding Jerusalem. SALADIN'S empire stretches from Southern Spain across North Africa into the holy lands . Now you may ask yourself ,
Higgins pauses for effect and points at MENZIES and CALEB ,who are at the foot of the Dutch elm throne on throw cushions .
HIGGINS W hy it's so important to help the crusading nights against the saracens ,w ho are fighting in the holy lands .
RELL Yes we might, SALAMANDER assemble your team and some of KATO'S samurai warriors and assemble in the courtyard.
CALEB WEST With the help of Richard the Lionheart we intend to come to an agreement with the armies of SALADINE and the OTTERMAN EMPIRE .
HEROHETO Then the time is now for a new Chinese Republic and I'll need your help to achieve it.
rRELL Then I'll bring some more kilns and some cement and sand from the KALDOR assembly lines to help you finish the GREAT WALL of CHINA .
HIGGINS Best of luck to all of you.



Professor HIGGINS steps down from the Dutch elm lectern and says goodbye to HIROHETO.

MENZIES Here is a topological map of the whole of Asia.

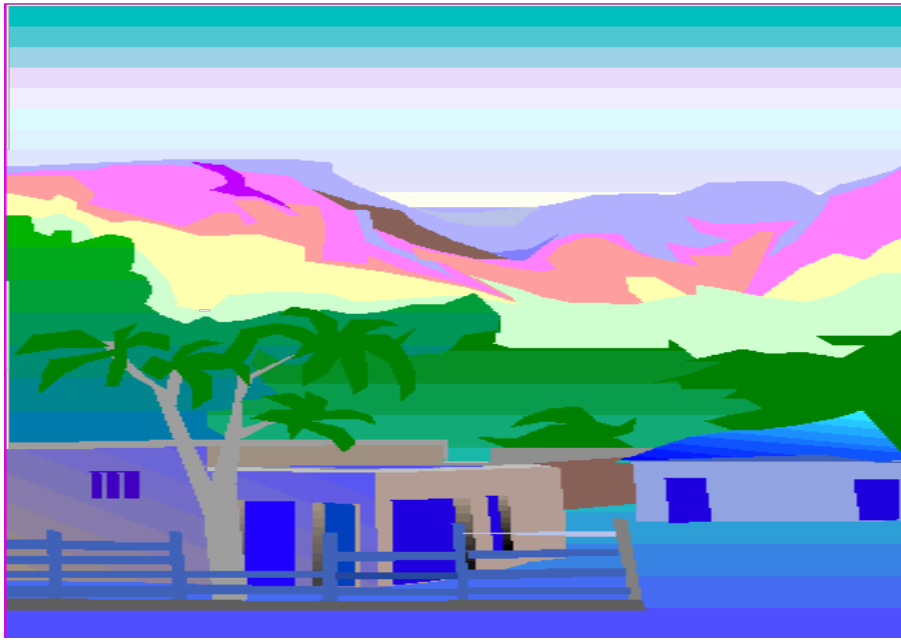
HEROHETO I only need China.

RELL Remember you can call science tech potassium on this wrist communicator which has a fast return switch to here from anywhere and any place in future earth.

The KALDOR police RELL, RAVEN lead SALAMANDER and ZIZI with samurai Warriors across the green lamented floor past the tapestries and Stone cladding through Roman columns to the paved courtyard to where they'll be transported back to the Tibetan mountains 300 years in the future.

HIGGINS, CALEB ,JOHNSON and MENZIES are escorted across a green laminated floor past tapestries on stone cladding through Roman columns into a paved courtyard where Chinese fighting dragons are entertaining peaking citizens.

They congregate around professor Higgins and press a button on their travel belts which sends a signal via the laughing Buddha in the temple through a tachyon field to CANDEREL .



JERUSALEM 1191.....THIRD CRUSADE
MUSTAFA CAMAL leader of SARACEN forces encamped around a sandstone perimeter wall is using catapults with straw dipped in oil to bombard the walls of the town.
Within the fort, French legionnaires and infantry under the command of Barron hard-up are fortifying and preparing for battle when HIGGINS and his trusty band arrive from the temple with the laughing BUDDA from 14th century China. .Arriving in the courtyard , they shimmering into existence near the west wing across from the main door .
As they skirt the perimeter soldiers walking high crenelated battlements blow a horn alerting store holders and soldiers near a tavern near the centre of the palace.
Roman French and English soldiers jump down from the battlements and run over, swords in hand, just as RELL activates a force field bombarding them with negative irons .
As a Roman soldier hits the force field he receives a strong electric shock and is forced to the ground .
French and English soldiers gather around and the tavern doors open for Frederick II of France, who joins BARON HARDUP marching towards the troops yelling" who are you" in Swahili.
Adjudicator RAVEN steps up to the force field with his universal translator and activates.

HIGGINS We are here to help you against the SARASENS attacking your castle.
He retrieves a document from his leather satchel.
HIGGINS I have here the seal of Benedict the younger granting us access to the crusader states of Levant and Jerusalem and throughout the holy lands.
BARON HARDUP Then come to the war room and present yourself before the king.
Legionnaires and soldiers escort Higgins and his party into the tavern, a stoneclad building with high archways dominated by a large oblong table with a red check table cloth and crusader nights drinking ale.
The adjudicators resplendent in their blood red uniform with silver moon boots and flowing white cape sit across from knights.
Court attendants are turning a large pig on a spit before a roaring fire to the left of the table while serving girls in belly dancers costumes are serving knights.
A fool in costume is dancing on the table as the crusader nights are enjoying their meal.
BARON HARDUP Richard if you don't do something we'll be overwhelmed by SARACENS.
FREDERICK They are determined to break through.
RELL We can capture the invaders in a force-field and hold them with these lethal crossbows .
RAVEN They kill at 20 paces and I'm an expert .
RICHARD the LIONHEART Then general RELL do that and you'll be a king's champion.
SLOAN I'll be your squire SIR RELL .
RELL Françoise gets your legionnaires up onto the battlements and Richard assemble your Knights in the courtyard.
As the legionnaires run up the sandstone steps to cover the enemy who are using straw dipped in oil to fire at the castle wall.
RICHARD and SIR GWAIN run over the courtyard and grab the mainstays of the Oak archway heaving with all their might. The doors open immediately allowing the Arabian Nights to run in, covered from all sides by lethal crossbows.
RELL and SLOAN use their remote controls to activate a stasis field, inside a concave sphere in front of the tavern .
RICHARD and SIR GWAIN push back wooden gates and the large Oak stays securing the castle.
RICHARD the LIONHEART In the name of the king I order you

to surrender.
Higgins and Menzies use their tricorders instantly translating for SARACEN soldiers .
RICHARD the LIONHEART We are here with the diving right of the HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE.
MUSTAFA And this holy city is the Divine write the OTTERMAN EMPIRE. SIR GWAIN Then put down your arms there's grub and ale in the tavern yonder.
The explorers follow RICHARD the LIONHEART back to the tavern while France legionnaires and the English soldiers escorting Mustafa's saracens. As they pass tapestries above stone cladding, waiting staff are just clearing the table.
HIGGINS sits left of RICHARD the LIONHEART with the crusading nights and the KALDOR adjudicators opposite on the oblong table being served goblets of wine from a barrel.
HIGGINS As special envoy for Pope Benedict I'm entrusted to make peace between the holy Roman empire and the Muslims under Saladin .
RICHARD the LIONHEART Between you Saracens and my crusader nights right here.
BARON HARDUP We intend to make the city Jerusalem an open city for Saracens and crusader nights.
RICHARD the LIONHEART Let's forget our religious differences and draw up some treaties.
BARON HARDUP The crusading states of Levant are doing a roaring trade and there's Greek restaurants popping up all over the place.
FREDERICK Make Jerusalem an open city for trading commerce .
HIGGINS If you can send a courier to the emperor to the Byzantine empire to invite orthodox Christians to come to see the city of David.
CALEB WEST Which will be twins with Jerusalem.
RICHARD the LIONHEART Open the doors let MUSTAFA out to talk to his troops
BARON HARDUP I'd like to make some timeshare holiday builders here with European citizens on the shores of PALESTINE .
HIGGINS retrieves a scroll from his leather satchel and writes a message on psychic paper that was produced at KALDOR CITY.
HIGGINS Here is an invitation to pope GREGORY and kaliphites SALADIN asking them to accept Jerusalem and the city of David as an open city.

SLOAN I'll stay here to supervise.
RELL And I'll have plant and materials from KALDOR CITY to start constructing those timeshare villas on the shores of Palestine.
CALEB Ask the WAR-ROOM to design a light alloy train with a steam engine and solar panels to lay a light alloy track between PALESTINE and the city of David, and send the blueprints to the assembly lines of KALDOR .
BARRON HARDUP Then I'll organise a day trip to Zion, the city of David.
MANZIES And make some more Greek restaurants for the courtyard outside the palace.
RAVEN The Roman empire came before the Greek empire.
MENZIES According to our records ZEUS had an hourglass near the lyceum theatre at the foot of the mountains of Olympus to decide which team came first ,roman or greek and changes his name to JUPITER at meal times.
HIGGINS Then I'll send an expedition to Olympus to find out if the Italians in Rome had the first empire.
CALEB One of the essential differences between Christian and Muslim it's Muslims will not eat animals that can't graze in fields like pig .
Caleb indicates the large HOG roasting on a spit above an open fire.
MENZIES We have recently visited China with the faith of Buddhism believe your reincarnated according to your virtue on earth .I have some laminated brochures that I have made with some confusionism that can go on building sites.
CALEB A pig is reincarnated as a fish according to the Buddhist faith.
RICHARD the LIONHEART We can also invite some Buddhists from India and China .
MENZIES it's better to be a shark than a small guppy in a stagnant pool. These are the words of the BUDDA that neither the orthodox Christians, Muslims or even Roman Catholics are aware of. I have here some brochures explaining Buddhism with a splash of confusionism for construction sites to be put with the health and safety guides and can be taught with their CSCS operators license.
BARON HARDUP gets up following his Knights out into the courtyard and LEGONAIRS pull the stage on the main door.
The forks opens and MUSTAPHA walks out to talk to the Saracens Manning the catapults to ceasefire .

RELL, RAVEN and SIR GWAIN follow brandishing crossbows . Professor Higgins brings up the rear with his trichorder outstretched giving an instrument translation into English.
HIGGINS Gentleman, the war is over except our hospitality. MUSTAPHA if you can organise your nights into teams, i'll leave adjudicator SLOAN in charge of making time share villas on the shores of PLESTINE, and the light alloy train to the city of david.
RELL walks out of the tavern with FRANCIOR and SLOAN to the west quarter using his wrist communicator to call the war room .
MAXELL Now the time gate is reactivated in the temple of peaking I can send a delta wave with the tachyon funnel with a GPS signal to and scan for Life to signs in the vicinity of the drop zone.
RELL Along with a map of the area.
MAXELL I can then pinpoint the best location to set down the away team .
RELL FRONCIOR if you can set up a barrier near the Westgate we'll soon have a work party with some of MUSTAPHA'S SARACENS.
Materials from his global chemicals catalog shimmer into existence behind a barrier just below the criminated sandstone battlements, and FRANCIOR , CALEB and some SARACENS start unpacking pallets of materials.
Adjudicator Sloan is left in charge for work party as Higgins returns to the tavern to consult king Richard.
HIGGINS If you send runners with these royal charters with my seal as special envoy to the Pope and yours and Fredericks, Jerusalem shall become an open city.
RELL There are some alloy kits coming to make a train powered by Steam and solar power from solar sales..
RAVEN The carriages and track would be made of a light alloy linking Jerusalem to the city of David for day trips from ports of Palestine.
MENZIES There's also some desalinators and some irrigators to irrigate farmland.
CALEB Also just some more fish tanks for sustainable fish stocks.
So we should have a crop of fish and vegetables and trips to the city of David .
MENZIES And the city of David has just a stone throw away from Jerusalem ?
HIGGINS David killed Goliath with a slingshot and a stone.
RAVEN Until then this pre packaged goods ,soups, canned

goods by appointment of Vanessa Bellamy of the galactic federation.
CALEB is showing LIONHEART and BARON HARDUP blueprints for timeshare villas on the coast of Palestine
HIGGINS stands to lean on a mantle above a roaring fire in the far wall .
HIGGINS Lionheart I must warn you that you face capture on your return to ENGLAND .On your way back through France you'll be captured and your brother JOHN will pay to keep you imprisoned ,while your supporters will try to pay your ransom .
LIONHART How do you know this ?
Higgins retrieves the scroll from his leather satchel and places it before the king.
HIGGINS A LETTER FROM YOUR CAPTORS .
RELL We can get you back to England safely and where you can unite the country.
HIGGINS If you assemble your knights and put this travel built on .
The royal court assembles outside the tavern on a dirt path leading out of the sandstone battlements while MUSTAPHA'S forces are working with legionnaires and soldiers in the courtyard .
LIONHART Make the empire proud, BARON .
BARON HARDUP I WILL SIR.
RELL contacts POTASSIUM on his wrist comm, who triangulates their position via a signal from the temple statue in PEAKING through a tachyon pulse while each explorer activates his time travel belt .
POTASSIUM Luckily Windsor castle is one of the oldest forts in Britain so it was easy to get a fix on
HIGGINS Yes it's mentioned in the doomsday book of 1089 and was used by king Harold and William the conqueror.
They arrive on a grass bank and cross a dirt road to a guard house, where a soldier is on duty.
SIR GWAIN IN THE NAME OF THE KING WE DEMAND ENTRANCE .
The gates unlock and the royal court enters and steps through a stone arch and along a paved tunnel , then across a maroon laminated floor past ornate embroidered tapestries below stone cladding into the throne room where they take their places.
LIONHART takes his high backed dutch elm throne while rest of the explorers sit on throw cushions in a semi-circle around , while they're served mineral walker water by sesca women in belly

dancers costume.
RELL I'll stock the armoury with crossbows, that should give your nights an advantage in battle .
LIONHEART So where's Prince John at the moment ?
BASIL a skinny man in a green costume with a white bed, walks in from stage left .
BASIL Prince John is in Nottingham castle with the sheriff after being attacked by some outlaws in SHERWOOD forest .
SIR GWAIN This is HIGGINS, says he's a profit from the future.
LIONHEART Send a runner to Nottingham to tell king John.
HIGGINS I'd like to replace the dungeons with a boiler room next door to a washhouse with piping hot water .
LIONHEART LETS HAVE A CUP OF COFFEE .
They walk across a black and white tiled throne room to stand underneath a leaded arch window around a fold up green baize table with coffee and croissant, while MARGARET retrieves water from a pot above a roaring fire .
HIGGINS If you make me your chancellor I have a large stock of psychic paper your subjects will believe everything we write.
MENZIES Psychic paper has the power of hypnotism and your subjects will believe everything.
LIONHEART Then I'll make taxation to 17.5% throughout the Kingdom.
BASIL Only on title and property.
LIONHEART If you can put hot water throughout this drafty old castle I'll make you a DUKE OF LANCASTER .
HIGGINS I always wanted to be DUKE of LANCASTER and I suggest you make Prince John Duke of York.
SIR GWAIN Wellspoken Higgins Duke of Lancaster
MENZIES clambers off a throw cushion and walks over to an oblong table and spreads out psychic paper while LIONHEART retrieves his wax seal .
SIR GWAIN While PRINCE JOHN is in Nottingham he can become the Duke of York with his knights and court.
LIONHEART Take this royal charter and ride to Nottingham SIR GWAIN.
GWAIN leaves down the maroon laminated floor towards the armoury with RELL and RAVEN carrying boxes of crossbows.
LIONHEART I'll be soon rousing an army to secure my lands in France.

JOHNSON If you can clear a space in the courtyard of the east tower.
CALEB And put some barriers up so I can bring some hard resin and light alloy components for the new boiler room connected to the wash house.
MENZIES What my colleague is trying to say is we should have water throughout the palace by tomorrow.
JOHNSON They'll bring battery powered cutting robots that can produce as much timber for the boiler as you need.
MENZIES The GRATAN catalog has many modern labor saving devices .
RELL walks into the throne room after seeing SIR GWAIN and his knights off in the courtyard from where they ride out to NOTTINGHAM on horseback .
RELL I have Plasma rifles for clay and slate and the designs for kilns to bake bricks, a recipe for cement for to build new buildings.
LIONHEART stands to walk near the roaring fire.
LIONHEART Then Duke of Lancaster I'll give you Cambridge castle .
HIGGINS I'd like to build a university at Cambridge the envy of the rest of the world.
LIONHEART Then so be it
HIGGINS And enable a port at Plymouth for your new fleet of sailing ships for your many conquests.
LIONHEART I'll need stout ships to take me back to France to conquer Normandy and Avignon and my other regions neglected what I was in the holy lands .
Higgins retrieves a blueprint from his leather satchel.
HIGGINS This is the design for a sailing ship using the timber from the robot harvesters to build a fleet of ships to take you from DOVER to Calais or Boulogne .
LIONHEART Then when they are ready I'll set sail for france .BASIL assemble engineers to take these blueprints to Plymouth with the timber and start construction on the new sailing fleets.
HIGGINS And the rest of us will go on to Cambridge.
After more coffee and croissant the explorers leave the throne room following BASIL the groundsman across a persian rug and up the main stairs and around oak banisters to the bedrooms.
They walk along past portraits in genuine oils of dukes and kings and are assigned rooms by BASIL the groundsman.
RELL You seemed very eager to help Higgins ?

HIGGINS Having a fortune teller's knowledge of the future has helped us and Richard does go back to France where he's killed in battle .John is pronounced king in 1199 where he reigns until 1217. In 1215 he signs the TREATY of MAGNA CARTA with a blueprint for the first English parliament based in Westminster. ROBERT FITZWATER starts the barons war with support from PHILLIP 2nd of FRANCE, whose son LOIS sails to England with support from barons to become king.
When JOHN dies in 1216 the barons favourhis son HENRY 3RD. LOIS tried for support from the french navy ,who were beaten off the coast of sandwich in 1217
CALEB Could your new navy they intend to build at PLYMOUTH be responsible?
HIGGINS LOIS sailed back to France where he became LOIS 8TH. JOHN'S son HENRY 3RD is coronated and agrees to abide by the statutes of MAGNA CARTA .
RELL Could the psychic paper the war room on CANDEREL have printed be a reason why we've been successful.
CALEB It's based on the parchments ZIZI the sorcerer had in his village on a plateau on a Tibetan mountainside.
HIGGINS The second treaty of 1225. I can help the parliamentary system with this new psychic paper that hypnotises all who see it into believing practically anything.
JOHNSON Yes but even then it's vital the king John signs MAGNA CARTA the most important document in English history.
HIGGINS That is why I was keen to build ships and help Richard get back to FRANCE where history says he dies in battle.
RELL Once we're in Cambridge I'll get potassium to make a topological survey of the area and design a blueprint for the Cambridge university.
MENZIES Spectacular in present day times, where you'll become the first chancellor.
HIGGINS And Duke of Lancaster. The rivalries of the barons world will carry over to the war to the roses with the house of York in conflict with the House of Lancaster. I thought it best to keep history on track while moving it on in subtle ways to create a United Kingdom one day a United planet.
RAVEN But are we likely to get back to the future any time soon?
HIGGINS Yes sometime before the first Oxford-Cambridge boat race. And as I'm chancellor I'll regularly return to my rooms in Cambridge university.

RELL Three cheers for the DUKE of LANCASTER.
HIGGINS I've still got a flat in MAYFAIR, Central London since the 1960s.
JOHNSON Have you really?
HIGGINS I first found a time travel machine at the British museum inscribed on a MING vase ,from the time of HEROHETO.
MENZIES You must tell us about that sometime .
HIGGINS Me and PICKERING were taking time out for that publicity of MY FAIR LADY when we had the most amazing adventure in time.